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 For: Tissue Penetrating Catheters)
 Having Integral Imaging Transducers)
and Their Methods of Use)

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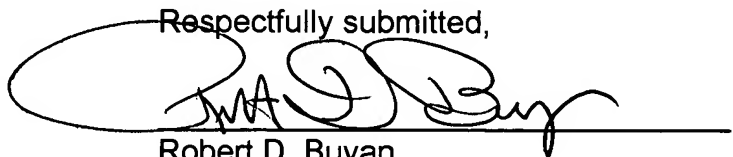
Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R Section 1.56, Applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the references that are listed on the attached PTO forms 1449. No copies of the references are being provided per 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d), since all of the references were cited by or submitted to the Office in parent application Serial No. 10/033,836.

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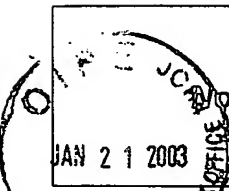
The disclosed references, when taken alone or in combination, are not believed to disclose nor make obvious the invention as claimed in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,



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